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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2006. it is being filed within the one month period for response.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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and a half of sequences, applicants target sequences are missing.

Cech et al. discloses a reduced telomerase activity in a cell by at least 50 % but lacks further details and exact experimental data. Contrary to that, the antisense oligonucleotides of the present application affect a reduction in viability of more than 65% (cf. Example 1). Furthermore, the oligos cause a synergistic booster effect if simultaneously administered with chemotherapeutics (cf. Example 2).

The inventors have previously prepared a paper manuscript further pointing out the unexpected benefits of their invention. The corresponding author proof is enclosed and further demonstrates the surprising benefits obtained by utilizing the specific sequences identified by the inventors.

Conclusion

Applicant believes these remarks and the claim amendments are sufficient to obviate the grounds for restriction presented in the outstanding office action and respectfully requests consideration of all the pending claims. Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

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